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Petition #RM9242
Office of the Secretary
FCC Room 222
1919 M Street NW
Washington, DC 20554

To Whom It May Concern:

The purpose of this letter is to provide support for the passage of Petition #RM9242 as it relates to the proposal to allow licensing procedures for low power stations. KAW 88.9 FM is a service provider of local, pertinent programming for the Lawrence, Kansas community -- filling a niche that complements other larger, commercial radio stations within the northeastern Kansas listening area.

As a public education unit of the City's Solid Waste Division, the WR/R Division frequently utilizes the unique services and accessibility that only KAW 88.9 FM's local programming format can provide in delivering our environmental services messages to our targeted community. KAW 88.9 FM has been an excellent service-provider in regards to frequently airing public service announcements we have submitted, and providing on-air interviews with WR/R staff to discuss local environmental issues. We support local programming whenever possible, and KAW 88.9 FM continues to fit that need within our community. We support efforts to allow licensing procedures for low power stations such as KAW 88.9 FM, as they fill an important and accessible communication link within our diverse community.

Sincerely,

Mollie Mangerich, Operations Supervisor
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cc: Bob Yoos, Solid Waste Division Manager

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